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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Ekwuribe, et al.
Serial No.: 09/430,735
Filed: October 29, 1999
For: METHODS OF INDUCING ANALGESIA

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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
(37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))

1. This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of one (1) month to respond to the Official Action dated May 28, 2003.
2. A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested:

is filed herewith.
 has been filed.

3. Applicant:

Claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
 Does not claim small entity status.

4. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)-(d)):

Total Months <u>Requested</u>	Fee For Other Than Small Entity	Fee for Small Entity
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> one month	\$110.00	\$55.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$410.00	\$205.00
<input type="checkbox"/> three months	\$930.00	\$465.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$1,450.00	\$725.00
<input type="checkbox"/> five months	\$1,970.00	\$985.00

Fee Enclosed \$110.00

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- A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038) is enclosed.
- Charge Deposit Account No. 50-0220 for any additional extension and/or fee required or credit for any excess fee paid.

Respectfully submitted,



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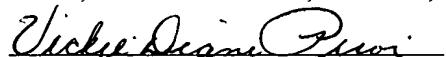
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